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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: D. Foote et al. Attorney Docket No. LAMA121883
Application No.: 10/692,326 Group Art Unit: 3676
Filed: October 22, 2003 Examiner: Vishal A. Patel
Title: SEAL ASSEMBLY FOR RECIPROCATING SHAFT

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE
AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Seattle, Washington 98101

May 9, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final in the above-identified application.

X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate	Additional Fee	
Total Claims	1	Minus	20	=	0	x	25	=	0.00
Independent Claims	1	Minus	3	=	0	x	100	=	0.00
Total Additional Fee for this Amendment								\$0.00	

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B. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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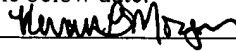


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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 9, 2006. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment.

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